

November 16, 2010

Mike O'Herron DNRC Kathleen Ports USFWS 2705 Spurgin Road Missoula, MT 59804

RE: Final HCP/EIS

Dear Mike/Kathleen;

Roseburg Forest Products is a Particleboard plant located in Missoula Montana. We use residuals (sawdust, shavings and chips) from sawmills located throughout the state of Montana in our process. We are directly linked and are totally dependent on each sawmill in the state. We employ approximately 165 people at our facility with an annual payroll of approximately 10 million dollars.

We work closely with the DNRC who we believe has an excellent reputation as stewards of the land. We understand the responsibility the State has to generate revenue from State lands in a responsible an environmentally sustainable manner. We appreciate and commend the state in its effort to establish long term regulatory assurances through section 10 of the Endangered Species Act.

We understand that between the Draft and the Final HCP/EIS the preferred alternative was revised to include several concessions to increase the conservation of the HCP species. Those concessions include:

- 1. Adding strategies to limit the use of helicopters near grizzly bear habitat
- 2. Increasing conservation measures for Canada Lynx
- Doubling the no-harvest portion of the RMZ buffer zone from 25' to 50'
- 4. Broadening the application of the RMZ to all class 1 streams.

Roseburg Forest Products supports both the preferred alternative and Alternative 4 – Increased management and urges you to support the same.

Sincerely,

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